

# THE POCHE DAILY RECORD.

TUESDAY, JUNE 29, 1875.

The Business Office of the POCHE DAILY RECORD has been removed to Lynch's Brick Building, corner of Main and Second streets, near the old office for work will be attended to by Geo. T. Gorman.

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## UTAH.

Congress may change a boundary or transfer a portion of one Territory to another, but can it disturb municipal governments or rights of property acquired under a Territorial charter? There is no government precedent, that we are always of the right of Congress to take away the franchises granted to the people of a Territory by its charter.

They have census takers in the office of a city journal, who have just ascertained that Utah and Nevada contain a sufficient population to constitute a State. Yet the best informed people in this Territory estimate our population at not less than 130,000 souls.

The Tribune and Herald have for some time been engaged in a controversy as to the rights, privileges and liabilities of a territorial form of government. The Herald's views on the question of the limits of a territorial charter as expressed above, are certainly of an extraordinary character, and argue an entire ignorance of the question. A territorial charter is necessarily but a provisional and temporary one, and there is always a reservation that is never incorporated in a State charter. Should the Herald require a precedent for the implied and forestalled action of Government, they will find abundant light cast on this subject in the records of Wisconsin and Iowa Territories. The second paragraph in relation to the amount of population requisite to constitute a State is a little mixed. We would be glad to know how "the census takers in the office of a city journal" have just found out that Utah and Nevada together have enough population to constitute a State. If there is any limit or proviso in the constitution in regard to the population of a State, we are certainly ignorant of it (apart from the constitutional apportionment). But the implied argument that, because Nevada got in in '64 with the scanty population, Utah should get in in '75 with 130,000, is hardly based on correct premises. Iowa was admitted in '46 with about 48,000 souls (we don't remember the exact figures), but if that commonwealth had the institutions that Utah has, incorporated in her being, she might still be a Territory, and her 1,300,000 citizens might still be knocking vainly at the gates of Congress for admission to the Union. We believe Nevada was admitted more as a measure than anything else. The Government, in consistency with the constitution, is not likely to interfere seriously with the peculiar form of religious tenets the Mormon element sees fit to hold, but while Utah is a Territory it is subject to the jurisdiction of the general Government, and thus held in check. Were it a State it would be sovereign and self-asserting. The Government can always exert a discretionary power in relation to the admission of States, and if it sees fit, create a sovereign commonwealth out of a Territory (subject of course to the will of the people); but were Utah to be ten fold more populous and prosperous than she is, the dignity of a place in the galaxy of stars that glitter on our National ensign would be denied her, for the foul and bestial stain of polygamy would tarnish her splendor, and eventually blot her out from the silvery host.

An Act of Congress, approved March 3d, 1875, appropriated \$30,000 for the construction of a telegraph line from Santa Fe, New Mexico, to Camp Grant, Arizona. General Meyer, Chief Signal Officer U. S. A.—better known as "Old Prob"—has entire charge and control of the project. He now has a corps of practical intelligent men under his supervision, and proposes to extend the limits of the enterprise, so as to run the line through to San Diego, Cal. The great advantages resulting from this communication are apparent. It will be of course a military telegraph, built, owned and operated by Uncle Sam. It is expected that after the line is built and fully equipped, the toll on the civilian dispatches, etc., will be sufficient to keep it in repair. We have rarely heard of any project on the part of the Government, so well calculated to promote the welfare and interests of any part of the country, and such action is worthy of the highest praise and commendation.

The mild term of "disquietude" which the cablegrams indicate as existing in London, is hardly the correct form of expression to use in connection with the recent disastrous failures. In September, '73, the English journals were giving their American cousins long lectures on "dishonest practices," "confidence games," and "public insecurity." They can now take down their old files, and go to reprinting with a slight alteration in the verbiage. It is to be hoped, however, that for the sake of trade a general panic will not ensue, though the indications at present are rather adverse.

The grasshoppers emboldened by their success, have taken to stopping trains in Iowa, and now the unfortunate Hawkeyes can't get their papers and are on the "ragged edge of despair," and "even wish they were dead," for there is no news from Brooklyn.

The instructions of Secretary Bristow to put \$8,000,000 in gold on the market next month, will result in the beneficial reduction of the present abnormally high premium.

Foreign and domestic dispatches report a fearful destruction of life and property.

# SKETCHES OF EARLY DAYS IN VIRGINIA CITY.

The Virginia Enterprise has recently instituted a series of sketches illustrative of early days, and descriptive of early discoveries, and the men that first opened up to the world the now famous Comstock lode and the district which is known as Virginia City and Gold Hill.

Without intending to disparage these statements in the least, but rather with the desire to aid in casting some light on the dimness of the early records, we have instituted a series of inquiries, and from one of our leading citizens—himself an old '48er—we gather the following facts, which, though slightly at variance with the Enterprise's account, are nevertheless reliable and authentic. Anything relating to early days in Nevada is naturally of interest to all, and for this reason we have compiled a few statements of occurrences which will, no doubt, be recollected by many.

The first definite record of surface claims being worked in that country was in the Spring of 1850, in Gold Canyon, at a place afterward known as Jolietown, and about four miles from the present town of Gold Hill. Jim Fennimore (better known as "Finney," and afterward as "Old Virginia"), H. P. Comstock, Captain Galpin and a noted character named Burns (who afterward killed a comrade and was run out), were the first men to work in the district. The Grosch Bros., who came there in the Fall of '56, deserve more than a passing notice. They were men of considerable education, had a good practical knowledge of mineralogy, and were well liked by everybody. They worked principally in the American ravine on a claim known as the Rosa Lee, and due west of what is now Silver City. Hosea died in the Summer of '65 from the effects of a wound in his foot, and Allen the other brother perished in the snow on the California trail the following Winter. Considerable prospecting had been done by two parties from California. One of these (called the Johnson party) came from Placerville, and was composed of A. L. Johnson, John A. Osborn, "Kentuck," who afterward gave his name to the Kentuck mine, W. H. Dolman, the first mining recorder ever appointed in the district, V. A. Housewhite, the second mining recorder who held the office at the time when all the Comstock lode was located and now living in Bordenville, Va., A. Loshbaugh, Major Ormsby, Capt. Galpin and another man named Bretts. In January 1858 the miners held a meeting at Jolietown, at which W. H. Dolman was elected recorder and Columbia Quartz District was formed. This was the first district formed, and the first laws made to govern quartz mining were enacted at this meeting. The Pioneer Quartz Company was formed immediately after, and as its name indicates was the first in the Great Basin. They located several claims but worked mostly on one, the Moselle, on Pioneer Hill, which was about 600 feet east of Devil's Gate. This company made a road and built an adit down in the ravine. They hauled down five or six tons of rock, dumped it in and ground away on it for nearly three weeks, but didn't pulverize the eighth part of it. They got some gold out of it which assayed ten or eleven dollars to the ounce. This was in February 1858 and was the first metal obtained from quartz in that district.

The other party (known as the Caldwell) came from Trinity County, California. Among them was Jos. Caldwell, Francis Board and two other men. They established the workings that afterwards led to the discovery of silver in Six-mile Canyon. The water falling in the spring of '58, the two companies separated, and one went over on the East Fork of Carson River, about a mile above where that stream spreads out over the country; they done some prospecting there. The remainder of the company, headed by John Mankins, went south, and found digging at the head of the East Branch of Walker's River. They came back, reported discoveries, and about one hundred men went down there; from there a part of the company went back to Jolietown, and the remainder separated. We now come to the original discovery of the Comstock.

CINCINNATI, June 28.—At Pomeroy, Ohio, on Saturday, Jacob Ronshier attempted to kill his wife with a pistol, but the ball passed through her ear without further injury. He then shot himself in the head, dying instantly; no cause known.

NEW YORK, June 28.—Beecher was interviewed Saturday on a railroad train by the World reporter, to whom he expressed a conviction that the jury stands eleven in his favor to one against. Says he knows there is a calculating juror having been warned about him long ago; he also says Judge Neilson expressed an intention to keep the jury out six weeks if necessary; but I should not dismiss them without a verdict.

GREEN CASTLE, Pa., June 27.—The machine shops and foundry of J. B. Crowell & Co. was burned on Saturday evening. Loss, \$60,000.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 27.—The Secretary of the Treasury has directed the Assistant Treasurer of the United States at New York to sell one million dollars gold coin each Thursday during the month of July, the total amount to be sold being five million dollars.

NEW YORK, June 27.—There are no signs of an agreement among the Tilton-Beecher jury, and it is believed they will be discharged. Judge Neilson left the Court-room at 5 o'clock. At 11 p. m. the Court-house was closed and the jury retired for the night. It is thought they will come into Court at 10 to-morrow to state that they are unable to agree and ask to be discharged.

DEMORE, June 27.—A destructive tornado occurred this evening, which passed over the northwestern part of the city from 21st street to Grand river and 12th street. Its path was about 500 feet wide. About 39 houses beside out-buildings were demolished. Four persons were killed and many others injured, some seriously. Loss \$25,000.

NEW YORK, June 28.—The jury on the Tilton-Beecher case have not yet agreed upon a verdict nor have they informed the Judge of their inability to agree. Crowds continue in the neighborhood of the Court-room.

Soon after noon the Judge received a message from the jury, to which he replied, but no information could be obtained as to its contents. In connection with the note, however, counsel of both sides had a brief consultation with the Judge.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—The Government to-day entered a nolle prosequi in the three remaining cases against Jerome J. Hinds, charged with complicity in mail contract frauds. He had previously been acquitted on a similar charge.

Treasurer New was in consultation with Secretary Bristow and Assistant Secretary Conant to-day upon the subject of counting money in the Treasurer's office.

The Controller of currency to-day advised the Secretary of the Treasury of the issue of \$1,615,525 of national bank currency since May 27, upon which 80 per cent. of legal tender notes will be retired as provided by law. The whole amount of additional bank circulation issued since the passage of the act of January 14th last \$7,785,530. Outstanding legal tenders during July will be \$375,791,580.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., June 28.—The lumber and grist mills of L. N. Granger, and the store of S. F. Cooley at North Hadley were burned last night. Loss \$30,000.

Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—Yesterday afternoon a suit of boy's clothing was discovered on the bank of a pond on Market street. A search resulted in the finding of the body of a boy named Dennis Hunt. He was lying in three feet of water, nine years of age; a son of Mrs. Hannah Hunt.

SACRAMENTO, June 27.—On Friday night the residence of Mr. Coonsman, 11 miles from here, was burned with all its contents. Mr. Coonsman was badly burned. Loss about \$2,000.

It is announced the railroad company will carry passengers to and from the State Fair at half price. The fair commences September 15th and will last ten days.

STOCKTON, June 27.—The delegates to the Democratic State Convention are departing for the seat of action, also many prominent citizens of the county. Baldevin is a candidate for nomination for Congress. The Democratic primaries yesterday passed off quietly; a large vote was polled. Several tickets were in the field and considerable scratching was done. The contest was between radical and liberal Democrats for control of the County Convention to be held July 3d, and on District Attorney. The indications are that a majority of the delegates elected are liberals.

ELKO, June 27.—The western bound passenger train, five hours late, to-day collided with the emigrant train near Tecoma, smashing an emigrant car and injuring the engine. Only one person injured.

HAMILTON, Nev., June 28.—T. Selden and H. Wager, two men recently committed from Hamilton to the County Jail upon a charge of passing counterfeit five dollar notes of the Traders' First National Bank of Chicago, broke jail sometime Sunday night last, between 10 o'clock p. m. and 8 a. m. this morning. They sawed off the bolts which fastened their cell door, and escaping to the corridor, dug their way out of the brick wall and made good their escape. A reward of \$300 has been offered by the County Commissioners for their capture and return.

FOREIGN NEWS.

LONDON, June 28.—A dispatch from Berlin says that Prince Frederick William will assist at the maneuvers of the German ironclad fleet from Wednesday until Monday. The American squadron will witness the displays.

LONDON, June 27.—Steamer Pandora sailed from Portsmouth for the Arctic regions to-day. Equipments for the Arctic regions, under the command of Captain Hall in the Polar, goes out with the Pandora. The Pandora will only touch land once on her outward voyage, this will be Disco, Greenland.

MADRID, June 27.—The Spanish frigate Victoria has been destroyed by a destructive effect the ports of Matrice and Deva, on the Guipuzcoan coast, held by Carlists.

HAVANA, June 27.—It is officially reported that on the 24th instant a band of insurgents, commanded by a mulatto named Rios, burned four plantations, besides committing various robberies. Troops pursued and dispersed the band, killing seventy-five. Rios was captured and shot at Esperanza. The Spanish loss was twelve killed and wounded.

LONDON, June 27.—Special telegrams to the Times says: Nine hundred persons perished in a flood at Toulouse, then an outbreak of the epidemic is feared. It is believed that 600 houses have been swept away in the town and environs. The damage there is estimated at from 12 to 15 million sterling. The Paris correspondent of the Times makes an appeal to British charity on behalf of the sufferers. The Daily News' special says the lowest estimate of deaths in the flooded districts is 2,000. It is proposed to bombard and destroy the St. Cyphren quarter of Toulouse and prevent the danger of crumbling walls to the houses remaining.

Six a. m.—The Standard publishes a report of the fearful inundations in Bohemia, Moravia, Corinthia, the Tyrol and Barlet. Some loss of life and great

destruction of property; many bridges carried away; thousands of cattle drowned and the crops in several districts totally destroyed.

DUNDEE, June 28.—The Lord Mayor of London and suite arrived here this morning. They were called on by the Lord Mayor and corporation of Dundee in state and conducted to the Mansion House. They afterward attended a review of 6,000 troops at Phoenix Park. The American rifle team and party were also at the review and enthusiastically received. The weather being unfavorable made the attendance small. This is the first time the Lord Mayor of London visited Ireland in state.

LONDON, June 28.—Amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day 750 pounds.

Died.

In Pioche, Nev., June 26, 1875, James Ross (colored), a native of Indiana, aged 45 years.

## NEW TO-DAY.

PROFESSOR W. F. STEWART: The undersigned, having enjoyed the pleasure of listening to your very interesting and instructive lectures, delivered on the 25th and 26th instants, request that, if consistent with your engagements, you deliver a lecture upon such scientific subject as you may select, on such evening as may suit your convenience. With the highest respect, we are very respectfully your friends.

J. W. Wright, John C. Lynch, Wm. W. Bishop, Geo. T. Gorman, J. C. Foster, J. P. O'Halloran, J. C. Packer, E. Hamilton, A. B. O'Dougherty, D. W. Newman, F. C. Parham, D. A. Fulk, J. B. Pichford, Ad. Cohn, D. M. Tyrrell, W. J. O'Dougherty, C. W. Wheeler, W. H. Van Slyke, J. E. Heston & Co., G. B. Smith, J. V. Keeley, James Cronan, N. Churchman.

Meers, Wright, Rubin and others—Gentlemen: As a public servant interested actively for the benefit of our State, it will afford me much pleasure to respond to your polite request and, if it meets with your wishes, I will lecture at the Court House on Wednesday evening next, June 30th, upon the subject of "Ethnology, or, Animal Types."

Yours, respectfully,  
W. F. STEWART.

## Dividend Notice.

OFFICE OF THE ALTA MINING COMPANY, Room 25 Stevenson's Building, San Francisco, June 2nd, 1875. At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the above named Company a Stock Dividend of forty per cent., or Forty Shares to each One Hundred Shares, was this day declared, payable immediately.

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